Scarlet & & Bat. By Fergus Hume.

Author of "The Mystery of a Hansom Cab."

CHAPTER VII. (Continued.) Cupid's Bargain.

han was necessary to shield Lancaster. 'Did your brother ask Lancaster to

"Did your brother ask Lancaster to eail on him?"
"No!" replied Mildred, decisively. "Walker was rather afraid of Mr. Lancaster. They were bad friends for some reason, and Mr. Lancaster threatened to give Walter a thrashing."

"Did he threaten to kill him?"
Mildred hesitated. "Well, Walter said that Mr. Lancaster would shoot him if he got the chance, as he always carried a revolver."

proving that when he is tried.

"Ah!" said Jarman, pulling again at his mustache, "then you anticipate that he will be captured?"

"Captain Berry says he will never restund he is captured. We had a long talk about the matter."

"Has Berry any clue?"

"No. Neither has Inspector Herny. Since that servant saw Mr. Lancaster yellow that he house, nothing more has been heard of him. I don't want him to be captured. 'His being hanged won't his bring poor Walter to life, and that paper makes me doubt if he is guiky."

"Did you show this to Berry?" asked Jarman, who stil held the paper.

"No. I s wed it to/no one, not even to Mrs. Perch. I wished to consult you show the starth, said Jarman, "May I keen this starth," said Jarman, "May I keen this starth," said Jarman, "May I keen this

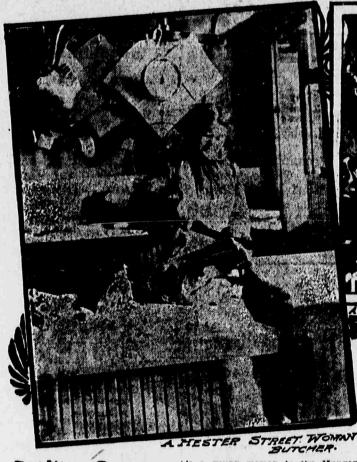
"I wish to help you in every way.
"I wish to help you in every way.
Fou know that."

Jaiman's voice shook a little, and the
woman in Middred took alarm. She rose
to go, whereupon Jarman insisted on
seeing her to Rose Cottage. "But there
is no need," protested Middred; "the
moon is shining, and I am quite safe.

And went to If you heard a see what it wasgreat noise-And peering A great procesout of your win-

dow into the twilight of an early Sunday morning -you beheldto more than half a million waiting people-wouldn't it make you

* Some New York Women Who Are Doing Men's Work. &



OR most women the cays of oring of lone, powdered hair and absolute as can a man. This woman carries on a can a man. This woman carries on the woman of to-day is independent to a wondarful degree, perhaps too much as father.

The woman of to-day is independent to a wondarful degree, perhaps too much as for her own comfort, and many a woman's powers were developed, a woman of a retting nature has risen to meet an occasion that has been grown to take care of us, top ut little way. In a sweet, clear voice, "You see," she said, smiling up over strenuously inclined sister.

Women are every day advancing in the higher grade of work, but there are, too, some women in New Tork City who can do a grade of work all—idd the housework and looked has her before to the hand for men, and a class of occurantion than hands and wuscle, neither minds of men, and a class of occurantion than hands and wuscle, neither minds which hands and wuscle, neither minds when the could make shoes than has heretofore been assigned to the hands of men, and a class of occurantion that he were alies, and he hands or men, and a class of occurantion to the hands of men, and a class of occurantion to the hands of men, and a class of occurantion to the hands of men, and a class of occurantion to the hands of the could be to the could be to the hands of the could be to the could

By Nina Carter. | a young woman in the Hungarian quarter of the metropolis of the East

nothing. Again I took another pair. Then other began to wonder how he did his work so quickly. At last I made

I put them with the rest and said

the way to the shop?" asked the simist, "any dear friend?"

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know."

"I was not aware that you intended to engage her secretary."

"I have so much work to do."

"You might have engaged me," said Miss Starth, reproachfully. "I can type quite as quickly as you can dictate, and you know I am always glad to assist you."

"I know that," said Jarman, suppressing a strong inclination to take her in his arms, "We have done some work together.

"You have. I don't know what I should have done without you to correct my verses and help me to get them printed. I was only sixteen when I showed you my first poem."

"Yes, And very shy you were over it. Natural in a schoolgiri."

"I am not a schoolgiri now, Mr. Jarman!"

Who knew that better than Eustace? EVERYBODY knows at moving time exactly what she wants. (The feminine form is used because

will "I am not a schoolgirl." one does not want a gaint against discovering, twenty minutes after the man!"

Who knew that better than Eustace? "I wish you were." he muttered. "Why? You should be glad to see me grow up, Mr." why? You should be glad to see me grow up, Mr." why? You should be glad to see me grow up, Mr." and ilke to—Finstace." said the sril, frankly—too frankly, alas! for any feeling of love to kurk in the words, "You know how fond I am of you," and she squeezed his arm playfully. "Midred?" He could stand it no longer, although he felt that this was not the time to speak of love. But the influence of the hour, of her words, and the feeling of joaleusy inculcated by Darrel's arrival made him confess his secret. "Midred?"

"Yes,." She detected the change."

Derrel's arrival made him concess his secret. "Middred?"

"Yes." She detected the change in his voice, and grew nervous.

"I—love you!"

"Mr. Jarman—I mean Eustace!"

"I didn't mean to speak," went on the man, rapidly. "I know yon have heavy troubles to pace But I wish to help you. If you would accept me as your harshand, if you would lean upon me through life. I could do much to save you from being worsted."

Under the shadow of the trees, a sione's a throw from the white gate of Rose Cottage Mildred stood still, ber hands claened before her. A shaft of Rose Cottage Mildred stood still, ber hands claened before her. A shaft of Rose Cottage Mildred stood still, ber hands claened before her. A shaft of Rose Cottage mildred stood still, ber hands claened before her. A shaft of Rose Cottage in the leafage shed its radiance on her beautiful face, and foundace put a constraint on himself, finder his breath he quoted the Arabic proverts: "Blessed be Allah who made beautiful women."

"Eustace. I never thought of this!"

"And you are ansay?"

"No—no! I'm ret: exectly angry.

"You love ms, then—you love me!"

THE initials of the following, read downward, form the name of a town in Scotland, and the finals But"
"You love ma, then you love me!"
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"She could feel his breath on her cheek, and shrank away from the passion expressed in his deep volce.
"I am not anarry, but I don't love you.
"All the sight of like you che heard his sight. "I like you che yee. I like you more than anyone I eyer met."
"More than larrely"
"You be dealined. town in Scotland, and the final give what it was famous for; Iotwpi, a head-rest.
Onlhate, a district in Ireland.
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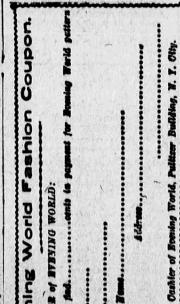
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